

TIME Program Fall Updates



Greetings Everyone,

I hope everyone had a fun and safe summer. I personally can't believe how fast it went. Maybe it just seemed to pass quickly because the TIME program has been very busy over the summer months. We achieved some great goals during the first half of the year. First, we achieved FHWA's goal to have 20% of all identified responders in the state trained in TIM. I tip my hat to the 77 TIM instructors that conducted the 57 TIM classes in 2016. Without these dedicated instructors, all of whom are volunteers, the program would not be possible. Only 22 states in the country achieved this goal.

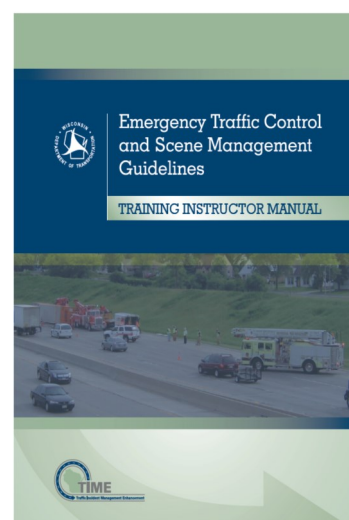
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Second, we updated the Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines (Guidelines) PowerPoint. The Guidelines had not been updated since they were first released in April of 2012. We updated all of the stats and replaced or added some new videos and photos. We have received a number of compliments from the instructors about the new version. If it has been a couple of years since you have taken the 4-hour responder class, it would be worth your while to take it again. The philosophy and principles have remained the same, but you may notice some differences from the old version. It would be a good refresher for you or your department.

Third, we hosted another TIM Instructor class at the WI State Patrol Academy. FHWA was gracious enough to fund the class once again by providing the instructor and all training materials. The TIME program covered the costs for the meals and lodging. A huge "thank you" to P.E.R. Towing out of Sparta and Western Technical College – Sparta Campus. PER provided the towing and recovery vehicles for the training and Western Tech provided all of the emergency apparatus for the simulated TIMA that was set up. It is these types of partnerships that make the TIME program successful.

And lastly, the 42nd Governor's Conference on Highway Safety was fantastic. The TIME program once again worked with the Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) to develop and present 10 different TIM-related presentations.

Fall is here and we are ramping up for the "fall tour" of regional TIME meetings. This year we added a meeting in Superior in order to spread the TIM word across the top of the state. We only have two meetings a year in a region, one in spring and one in the fall. We have scheduled a couple of presentations at each of the meetings that the attendees will find informative. If there is any topic that you would like to see at any of the meetings, please don't hesitate to ask. We hope to see you at a TIME meeting.



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Save the date!

August 22-24, 2017

43rd Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety

Brookfield Sheraton — Brookfield, Wisconsin

42nd Annual Governor's Conference on Highway Safety Was a Huge Success

This year's Governor's Conference on Highway Safety (GCHS) was once again a huge success. Our compliments to the Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) for coordinating the conference and all of the presentations. The conference was held at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay and had approximately 500 registered attendees. As in years past, the TIME program assisted BOTS by developing 10 separate TIM-related presentations. The variety of TIM topics was wide and far-reaching, from "Oversize and Overweight Loads" to "Utilizing Drones for Crash Reconstruction", to "Traffic Safety in the Plain (Amish) Communities" to "Alternative Fuel Vehicles and the Dangers they Pose to Responders". Many of the presentations received high marks on the presentation evaluations and may be repeated for next year's conference. A big "thank you" to all of the presenters that assisted the TIME program by presenting at the GCHS. We have a lot of very knowledgeable and talented people in the responder community and they are always very receptive to sharing their knowledge and expertise when requested.



Robert "Bob" Pound

TIME Program's Outstanding Achievement Award for 2016

Each year at the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety, the TIME Program recognizes an individual who displayed unwavering support and dedication to traffic incident management, not only by utilizing sound TIM principles at incident scenes, but also through the training of those principles to fellow responders.

As detailed in the criteria for the award nomination, the award is for someone who shows regular participation in TIME Program initiatives such as After Action Reviews, incident debriefings and TIME meetings. The nominee is also active in the training and outreach of Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines. This individual also works to integrate these initiatives and principles into the culture of their agency through training and utilizing the Guidelines in their agency.

This year's TIME Program Outstanding Achievement award went to South Area Fire District Firefighter Robert "Bob" Pound. Bob was nominated by his chief, Chief Matt Savage. In the nomination, Chief Savage detailed how Bob never compromises on safety in ANY aspect of fire service and that Bob's passion for traffic incident management has resulted in the implementation of TIM policies for his department based on Bob's input. Chief Savage also wrote that Bob was a role model for his department and frequently conducts debriefings after incidents that his agency responded to in an attempt to improve his department's response and improve safety for his firefighters.



For the TIME program, Bob is one of the program's most veteran instructors. Bob has been with the program since it expanded to a statewide program in 2006. Bob is frequently used as a resource due to his knowledge and experience not only about the fire service, but about effective and successful traffic incident management as well.

The TIME Program has held 57 4-hour responders classes so far in 2016. Bob has instructed or been part of the instruction in 19 of those classes. That is incredible! The TIME program can count on Bob to volunteer to teach whenever asked. Bob is frequently the first one to reply when an email is sent out requesting instructors. With over 42 years of fire service under his belt, Bob's experience automatically provides him with immediate credibility to the students. Bob can truly say, "Been there, done that." Congratulations Bob—well deserved!

Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Traffic Incident Management

On Monday, August 29, 2016 the new Federal Aviation Administration's Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) regulations went into effect. These regulations (known as Part 107) allow for the use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) in commercial and governmental operations, provided certain conditions are adhered to for the aircraft, pilot and operating environment.

UAS are quickly showing their tremendous capabilities in traffic incident management efforts. Drones can quickly capture evidence of traffic accident scenes through photographs and video allowing more efficient scene clearance. Scale diagrams and 3D renderings can quickly be made of highways, intersections or transportation infrastructure by using low-cost unmanned aircraft and special software. UAS can be very effective in search and rescue missions locating lost or missing children and adults.

If your agency or department is looking to capitalize on the unique advantages unmanned aircraft can provide, the links below provide resources to begin your research.

https://www.faa.gov/UAS/media/Part_107_Summary.pdf

<https://www.faa.gov/uas>



Towing and Recovery Professionals to Host Statewide TIM Trainings



The TIME Program (TP) attended the Wisconsin Towing Association's (WTA) annual conference held at the Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells on June 24-26, 2016. The conference was attended by towing and recovery professionals from all over the state and even some adjoining states. The TP had a lot of visitors to the conference table and it was great to speak with a lot of the towers that are generally only seen at TIME meetings.

The WTA requested TP to speak at their Saturday morning roundtable. The subject was about the importance of TIM and to promote the attendance at TIM training classes throughout the state. This came on the heels of the WTA executive board meeting on March 19, 2016 in which they voted unanimously to recommend to their entire membership that all towing & recovery operators be trained in TIM. After the presentation, we had a number of tow companies

approach the TP and volunteer to host a TIM training in their area. By the end of the conference, we had no less than 12 companies that volunteered to host a TIM training. That was impressive. The TP is working with the WTA to lock in the dates and locations of the trainings.

National Towing Industry Awareness Week—September 9-16, 2016

A lot of great things occurred recently in regard to the Towing and Recovery Industry.

First of all, on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, Congressman Charles “Chuck” Fleishmann from Tennessee went on record in the House and Representatives and stated: *“Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the invaluable contributions of the towing and recovery industry in the United States, the Towing and Recovery Association of America, the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum, towing associations around the world, and the members of those towing associations and to celebrate them....”* Congressman Fleischmann further stated, *“The week of September 9 through September 16, 2016, would be an appropriate week to designate as “National Towing Industry Awareness Week” and recognize the 100th anniversary of the tow truck, and support the designation of “National Towing Industry Awareness Week”, to be held in conjunction with the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum Induction Ceremony and the Wall of the Fallen Ceremony, each of which is held annually at the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and encourage the people of the United States to observe the move over and slow down laws in the United States.”* For the full speech, click on the link: <https://www.congress.gov/congressional-record/2016/09/06/extensions-of-remarks-section/article/F1181-2>



Second of all, FHWA Director of the Office of Transportation Operations Mark Kehrli traveled to Chattanooga, TN for the Towing and Recovery Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and the 100 Year Anniversary of the Tow Industry. Yes, that’s Wisconsin’s own Jeff Roskopf of Roskopf’s Towing with Mark. Jeff is the national president of the Towing and Recovery Association of America.

Third, Ken Weber from Weber’s Towing in Pewaukee was inducted as the 317th member of the Towing and Recovery Hall of Fame. Ken was one of a number of nominations that was received from across the country. A committee of peers evaluates the nomination based on criteria set forth by the Hall of Fame. Induction into the Hall of Fame is based on: tow equipment/product innovation, exemplary dedication, industry leadership and professional achievement. Based on the above criteria, Ken Weber was one of only 10 towers selected internationally to be inducted into 2016 class of the Hall of Fame. Congratulations Ken!



Lastly, in support of the Towing Industry Awareness Week, WisDOT posted messages on DMS boards all across the state to remind motorists to “Move Over or Slow Down for Stopped Tow Trucks”.



TIME Meetings for the Fall of 2016

The list of the remaining TIME meetings scheduled for the fall is presented below. We hope that you or a representative from your agency will be able to attend one of the meetings scheduled all across the state. We always try to have one or two presentations that has a nexus to TIM and will be beneficial to the responders that attend. Some of the topics that we have presented in the past include: "How to Mitigate Crashes Involving Vehicles Transporting US Mail", "DNR Hazardous Spill Response Protocols", "WSP's Technical Reconstruction Unit", "Crashes Involving Utilities" and "Handling Crashes Involving Vehicles Transporting USDA Approved Products". This is in addition to the presentation of a few significant incidents that occurred in the area and how they were managed. We only have two meetings a year in a region. We hope to see you this fall!

October 5, 2016 Northwest Region <i>Superior</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Superior WisDOT Office 1701 N. 4 th Street, Superior, WI 54880
October 5, 2016 Northwest Region <i>Spooner</i>	5:30 PM – 8:30 PM DNR Service Center Community Room 112 810 W. Maple Street, Spooner, WI 54801 *Note: Newly added meeting
October 6, 2016 Northwest Region <i>Eau Claire</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Eau Claire County Sheriff's Office 710 Second Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54307
October 11, 2016 Northeast Region <i>Northern US 41/US 141/STH 172</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Brown County Project Office Duck Creek Room 1940 W. Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54303
October 13, 2016 North Central Region <i>Wausau</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Northcentral Technical College 1000 W. Campus Drive, Wausau, WI 54401
October 13, 2016 North Central Region <i>Rhineland</i>	6:00 PM – 8:30 PM Oneida County Sheriff's Office 2000 E. Winnebago Street, Rhineland, WI 54501
October 19, 2016 Northeast Region <i>Southern US 41/STH 441</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WIS 441 Tri-County Construction Project Office W6214 Aerotech Drive, Appleton, WI 54914
October 26, 2016 Southwest Region <i>Beloit</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM City of Beloit Utilities and Engineering Facilities Building 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 *Note: New meeting location, was originally scheduled for Edgerton
November 2, 2016 Southwest Region <i>De Forest</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WI State Patrol – De Forest Post 911 W. North Street, De Forest, WI 53532
November 10, 2016 Southwest Region <i>La Crosse</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WisDOT SW Region Office Conference Rooms B19 & B20 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, La Crosse, WI 54601
November 16, 2016 Northeast Region <i>I-43 & Lakeshore Counties</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Manitowoc County Sheriff's Department 1025 South 9th Street, Manitowoc, WI 54220
December 1, 2016 Southeast Region <i>Milwaukee</i>	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM WisDOT Statewide Traffic Operations Center (STOC) 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203